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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3867, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. MICA OF FLORIDA**

At the end of title VI, add the following (and amend the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. ____.** **SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
2 **ON APPLICABILITY OF SMALL BUSINESS ACT**
3 **TO ACQUISITIONS CONDUCTED UNDER THE**
4 **FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE/MULTIPLE**
5 **AWARD SCHEDULE OF THE GENERAL SERV-**
6 **ICES ADMINISTRATION.**

7 (a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress finds the following:

8 (1) The Small Business Act was adopted by
9 Congress to ensure that small business concerns re-
10 ceive fair access to, and a fair share of, Federal gov-
11 ernment contracts and subcontracts.

12 (2) There is a disagreement between the Gen-
13 eral Services Administration and the Small Business
14 Administration on whether the Small Business Act
15 applies to the acquisitions under the General Serv-
16 ices Administration's Federal Supply Schedule,
17 which account for over \$30,000,000,000 in procure-
18 ment dollars awarded each year.

1 (3) As demonstrated in proceedings of the
2 White House Acquisition Advisory Panel, small busi-
3 nesses hold 79.6 percent of contracts under the Fed-
4 eral Supply Schedule, but receive only 37.1 percent
5 of dollars awarded under the Federal Supply Sched-
6 ule, and this disparity has a significant impact on
7 the competitive viability of small business concerns
8 in government contracting.

9 (b) SENSE OF THE HOUSE.—Therefore, it is the
10 sense of the House of Representatives that the Comp-
11 troller General of the United States should render an advi-
12 sory opinion on the applicability of the Small Business Act
13 to the acquisitions conducted under the Federal Supply
14 Schedule/Multiple Award Schedule of the General Services
15 Administration and report such opinion to the House
16 Committee on Small Business and the House Committee
17 on Oversight and Government Reform not later than Feb-
18 ruary 1, 2008.